

A writer in the New York Ledger in referring to the hugging dances, now so general, has this to say: "Balls in the reign of Louis XVIII were of a very different affair from those of the present day. The stately minuet or decorous cotillon, which admitted only of a quiet flirtation, and that under the eyes of watchful mothers, or still more vigilant chaperons, were the only dances permitted. The waltz, and, horror of horrors, the polka, were unknown. Gentlemen did not, for this purpose,

The A. & M. U. Brass Band is in full blast and will soon be able to furnish music for the College. It is composed altogether of boys who have been members of other bands, and

The literary societies at the College are progressing slowly but surely, and will be in full working order very soon. The societies were gotten up by the students under the direction of Gen. Lee and Dr. Rondebush—Times.

Failures among business houses are occurring to an alarming extent throughout Mississippi and adjoining States. This has been an unusually hard season on merchants as well as others. The weather, bad roads, etc., brought business to a stand still just at the time when a great deal of commercial paper matured, hence being forced to meet their obligations or go by the board, a great many have accepted the latter alternative. And the end is not yet. There is no improvement in the weather, and consequently none in business.—Courier.

The girl who can work a bouquet of embroidery on the toe of a slipper and play "Somebody's coming when the dew-drops fall" on the piano, may boast of her accomplishments during the courting season, but after marriage the one that can put a triangular patch on her husband's pantaloon and realize that somebody's coming when the dinner bell rings, is the one that makes the better wife.

said to have been the most successful emissary that has visited the "Canebrake," having shipped as many as 100 at a time. She is a frail-looking mulatto of middle age, quiet, polite and well behaved.—Marengo Journal.

It all depends on how you look at these ancestors. One little aristocratic girl was yesterday boasting that her forefathers came over with the Pilgrims, when another was maiden, whose widowed mother had recently married, said, "Shaw, go 'long with your old duds, I've got a brand new father."

It is said that John Chinaman is a bad fellow; that he is unscrupulous, content, inverted, diverted, converted, subverted, but not often converted. It takes a long time to indoctrinate him, but when the work is done he is faithful to his new religion.

How intimate the union between Christ and every believer! Maintain this union, and your life will be like

"The Rise and Fall of the Confederate Government," is the title of a new book by Hon. Jefferson Davis. The name first determined on was "The History of the Confederate War for Independence; Its Causes and Results."

A government will follow with prophetic eye fixed on Christmas asked his girl how much it took

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"because he is no terribly short," he gets in reply the heaviest response, "Do as I do; stand up or chair."

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